# Jim Haddadin

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#### **EXPERIENCE**

# **The MetroWest Daily News**, Framingham — *Multimedia journalist*

SEPTEMBER 2014 - PRESENT

I cover the city of Framingham, a suburb of Boston with a population of roughly 70,000. I write daily print stories for our newspapers and affiliated websites.

I also produce photos, videos, maps and interactive content, and help grow our digital audience by managing the social media accounts of our daily and weekly newspapers.

# **The Telegraph,** Hudson, New Hampshire — *City Hall reporter*

AUGUST 2013 - SEPTEMBER 2014

I covered government and politics in Nashua, New Hampshire's second largest city. My reporting led to a change in Nashua's city ordinances, as well as the resignation of a police commissioner and an inquiry by the New Hampshire attorney general.

I also wrote for PolitiFact New Hampshire, an affiliate of the fact-checking website PolitiFact.com.

# **Foster's Daily Democrat**, Dover, New Hampshire — *General assignment reporter*

JANUARY 2012 - AUGUST 2013

I reported on issues of regional and statewide significance for one of New Hampshire's largest daily newspapers.

I led the paper's coverage of the 2012 presidential election, an outbreak of hepatitis C at Exeter Hospital, the murder of Elizabeth Marriott and a fire that destroyed a nuclear submarine at Portsmouth Naval Shipyard.

# **GateHouse Media New England** — *Staff reporter*

APRIL 2010 - FEBRUARY 2012

Wrote features and covered government, crime and spot news for weekly papers in Arlington and Melrose. I was recognized by the New England Newspaper & Press Association for stories about a local priest battling cancer and a political candidate who misled voters.

#### **ACCOLADES**

City of Boston Open Data
Challenge: Won first place in
the data storytelling track and
received the Open Source
Award for <u>Trash City</u>, a
project using code
enforcement violations and
311 reports to visualize the
impact of move-in week
(2017)

#### **JOURNALISM AWARDS**

First Place, right-to-know reporting from the New England Newspaper & Press Association (2018)

First Place, local election coverage from the New England Newspaper & Press Association (2018)

First Place, general news story from the New England Newspaper & Press Association (2015)

First Place, government reporting from the New Hampshire Press Association (2014)

First Place, investigative reporting from the New England Newspaper & Press Association (2011)

First Place, reporting on religious issues (2011)

### **WCVB-TV**, Needham — *Web producer*

JULY 2008 - MAY 2010

Covered breaking news and prepared print versions of broadcast pieces for the web.

I launched the station's Twitter account, and contributed to WCVB.com's award-winning coverage of the death of U.S. Sen. Edward Kennedy and the arrest of the man who called himself Clark Rockefeller.

The website won a National Headliner Award in 2009, as well as Associated Press awards for best website in New England for 2009 and 2010 and the Edward R. Murrow Award for Best TV News Web site in 2010.

#### **EDUCATION**

### **Boston University** — B.S. in Journalism

SEPTEMBER 2004 - MAY 2008

Graduated magna cum laude from BU's College of Communication with a concentration in print journalism. I completed internships at Foster's Daily Democrat and The Sunday Tribune in Dublin, Ireland.

#### PROFESSIONAL DEVELOPMENT

### **OpenNews Scholarship**

OCTOBER 2017

Selected by OpenNews and the Knight Foundation to receive a ticket and travel scholarship to attend the 2017 Online News Association conference in Washington, D.C.

# New England First Amendment Institute, Dedham

NOVEMBER 2011

Selected to attend a fellowship program to study investigative reporting techniques and public records laws at the New England First Amendment Institute, organized by the New England First Amendment Coalition.

#### **SKILLS**

Versed in state and federal public records laws

Proficient coding in Python to scrape, analyze and visualize data

Experience using QGIS, Carto and other mapping software

Knowledge of HTML and content management systems

Knowledge of AP style

Native user of Facebook, Twitter and other social media platforms

#### **IN THE NEWS**

THREAT LEVEL: HYPOTHETICAL, <u>DigBoston</u>, Nov. 22, 2016

Stay up-to-date on court info; let the machines do the work for you, <u>GateHouse</u> <u>Newsroom</u>, Feb. 12, 2016

#### **RADIO/PODCAST SPOTS**

Framingham Elects Its First Mayor, WBUR, Nov. 8, 2017

Election Roundup: Boston, Framingham And Lawrence, WBUR, Sept. 27, 2017

Indictments Reveal Details About Alleged Murder Of UNH Student, NHPR, April 24, 2013

Which State Has The Most Machine Guns Per Capita? New Hampshire, NHPR, Feb. 12, 2013